

ACQ 403

Defense Acquisition Executive Overview Workshop

This innovative course provides general/flag officers and Senior Executive Service (SES) civilians with an executive-level understanding of the defense systems acquisition process. The workshop curriculum is 100-percent tailored to the specific needs of the participant, conducted on demand, and delivered in a one-on-one desk-side forum.

Objectives: General/flag officers and SES civilians who successfully complete this course will:

- augment their knowledge of specific aspects of defense systems acquisition in a one-on-one forum;
- gain an appreciation of the entire spectrum of the defense acquisition process or a limited number of specific areas within the process; and
- experience “just-in-time” learning and apply this tailored learning directly to real-time issues.

Who Should Attend: This workshop is available to all DoD general/flag officers, political appointees, congressional staffers, and SES civilian employees. Membership in an Acquisition Corps career program is not required.

Prerequisite: None

Length: Varies depending upon the number of topics to be addressed; typically one-half to 2 days

Method of Delivery: Resident

PDS Code: ADU



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Systems Acquisition Management Course for General/Flag Officers

This 1-week course for general/flag officers and SES civilians focuses on understanding the perspectives of key government and defense industry decision makers. The course includes discussions of topics affecting the defense systems acquisition environment. Participants who are not graduates of PMT 301; PMT 302; PMT 352, Parts A and B; or PMT 401 will develop an executive-level understanding of defense systems acquisition management.

Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will:

- gain an executive-level understanding of defense systems acquisition in terms of what is important and why it is important;
- understand recent legislation and executive actions affecting acquisition;
- refresh their knowledge of current DoD acquisition policy and procedural initiatives;
- appreciate the perspectives of the Congress, defense industry, and executives of the Office of the Secretary of Defense; and
- apply lessons learned and hot topics to their current acquisition programs.

Who Should Attend: This course is for general/flag officers and SES civilians who are working in positions requiring an understanding of DoD systems acquisition. Participants of equivalent rank from defense industry, other Federal agencies, and allied nations are also admitted on a space-available basis.

Prerequisite: None

Length: 5 class days

Method of Delivery: Resident

PDS Code: ADM

